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Dear Supervisors,

Please see below and attached regarding:

File No. 240695 - Motion approving Final Map No. 11099, a 148-unit residential condominium project, located at 400 China Basin Street, being a subdivision of Assessor's Parcel Block No. 8719, Lot No. 005; and adopting findings pursuant to the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, the Mission Bay South Redevelopment Plan, and the Plan Documents.

Regards,

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Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

Please see attached CalHDF's public comment regarding item number 34 for tonight's Board of Supervisors meeting: Final Map No. 11099, a 148-unit residential condominium project, located at 400 China Basin Street.

Sincerely,

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Re: Housing Subdivision Application for 400 China Basin Street

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Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

The California Housing Defense Fund (“CalHDF”) submits this letter to inform the Board of Supervisors of its obligation under the Housing Accountability Act (Gov. Code, § 65589.5, the “HAA”) when considering the proposed 148-unit subdivision at 400 China Basin Street.

The HAA mandates approval of all housing development projects that comply with applicable zoning and general plan provisions. (Gov. Code, § 65589.5, subd. (j).) As the application here constitutes a “housing development project” (*see id.* at subd. (h)(2)) complying with the relevant zoning and general plan rules, it receives this protection under the HAA. The Board of Supervisors may disapprove the application only if it makes written findings, based on a preponderance of the evidence in the record, that the project would have a specific, adverse impact upon the public health and safety. (*Id.* at subd. (j)(1).) Such an impact must be identified pursuant to a written public health or safety standard or policy in effect when the application was deemed complete. (*Ibid.*) As the staff report notes, the project is consistent with the City’s general plan and other objective standards. Since the city has not made sufficient findings related to impacts that would violate written public health and safety standards, the Board of Supervisors may not legally disapprove the subdivision.

As you are well aware, California remains in the throes of a statewide crisis-level housing shortage. New housing such as this in urban settings is a public benefit; it will provide badly

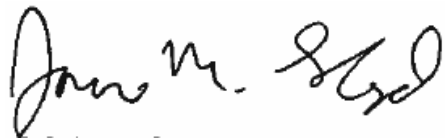
needed affordable housing; it will reduce displacement of existing residents; and it will help the state achieve its climate goals by providing additional housing in a walkable urban center, as opposed to in far-flung, car-dependent regions of the state. While no one project will solve the statewide housing crisis, the proposed development is a step in the right direction. CalHDF urges the Board to approve the project, consistent with its obligations under state law.

CalHDF is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation whose mission includes advocating for increased access to housing for Californians at all income levels, including low-income households. You may learn more about CalHDF at www.calhdf.org.

Sincerely,



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